Fellowship Requirements

Eligible physicians must:

- have successfully completed an ACGME (Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education) accredited residency program in Neurology
- be board certified or board eligible in neurology by the American Board of Psychiatry & Neurology
- have an active, unrestricted U.S. medical license
- International medical graduates must also have a current visa and appropriate EDFMG documentation.



To inquire about the
Northwest PADRECC/OHSU
Movement Disorder Fellowship,
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Application Process

Submit:

- CV
- Letter of intent which describes your interests in movement disorders
- Three letters of reference (one must be from current Residency director)
- VA Fellowship Application

First consideration will be given to applications received by October 15, 2005

The Northwest Parkinson's Disease Research, Education & Clinical Center and Oregon Health & Science University

VA Special Fellowship in Parkinson's Disease & Movement Disorders



Portland, Oregon



Program Description

Northwest Parkinson's Disease Research, Education & Clinical Care Center (PADRECC) and the Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) Parkinson's Disease & Movement Disorders Fellowship provides two years of post-residency clinical learning and research opportunities to eligible neurologists. Fellowship research experiences can include basic science and clinical research. A third year of fellowship is an option.

Fellows are important members of our staff, enhancing clinical practice, conducting research, and teaching medical students, residents, patients, and their families about movement disorders.

Clinical

A large volume of patients are seen in our VA and OHSU movement disorder clinics, representing diverse conditions including Parkinson's disease, dystonia, Huntington's disease, ataxia, gait disorders, myoclonus and tic disorders. Having a large number of faculty dedicated to movement disorders allows our fellows to be exposed to a variety of teaching methods and clinical techniques. Additional clinical experience in botulinum toxin injection and deep brain stimulation programming is emphasized.

Research

Both OHSU and the Portland VA Medical Center (PVAMC) are highly regarded nationally for their outstanding contributions to medical science. As members of this prominent academic community, fellows will develop and implement a research project, publish and present research results, participate in grant writing, and participate in other scholarly activities.

Education

Education activities enhancing clinical training include weekly journal clubs, seminars and grand rounds. In addition, fellows participate in speaking events educating both clinicians and patients via the PADRECC video conference series and at support group meetings and other clinical conferences. Fellows participate in the two year Human Investigations Program at OHSU. It offers a Certificate of Training in Human Investigation, and is designed to meet the growing need for clinical investigators.

Background

In 2001, the VA created six centers of excellence, designated as Parkinson's Disease Research, Education and Clinical Centers, or PADRECCs following previously successful efforts within the VA facilitating the integration of clinical care, medical education, and research missions.

The NW PADRECC is a collaboration of the PVAMC, the Puget Sound Health Care System, the Parkinson's Center of Oregon, and OHSU. Built in 1987, the PVAMC is one of the most modern in the country, and serves as a tertiary referral center for Oregon, Southern Washington, and parts of Idaho for the Department of Veterans Affairs. OHSU and the PVAMC are located atop Marquam Hill overlooking the city of Portland, connected by a 660-foot skybridge.

As the state's only academic health and science center, OHSU blends education, research, and patient care with community service.



OHSU's distinguished Department of Neurology, which has some 180 employees, including 36 primary faculty members, places a strong emphasis on research, which drew nearly \$11 million in grants and awards in fiscal year 2003. The Movement Disorders group has

traditionally been a strength of the department, consisting of MDs, PhDs, nurses, social work staff, study coordinators, and administrative assistants. As the only significant Movement Disorders program in the Pacific Northwest, patient referrals routinely come from the greater Portland area as well as throughout Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Northern California, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming.



Faculty

Faculty have joint appointments at OHSU and the Portland VAMC.

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